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**RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE
AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed September 26, 2001, Applicants' attorney, in connection with the above-identified patent application, submits herewith a Return copy of the Notice, and Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable form in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825.

I hereby state that the content of the paper copy of the Sequence Listing and the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are the same.

Applicants believe that no fee is due with this paper. However, if it is determined that a fee is due, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 8484-081-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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- 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).
- 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
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